

## SE Regional Diamondback Terrapin Workshop

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Charleston, SC

### Notes from SC break-out group

#### *Population monitoring*

- Needs: Research into distribution, life history, habitat requirements
- Next steps: Agreement to use herp atlas ([www.carolinaherpatlas.org](http://www.carolinaherpatlas.org)) to record sightings, Agreement to forward rfp's and other grant info to DTWG list serve ([dtwg@lists.seaturtle.org](mailto:dtwg@lists.seaturtle.org))
- Leads: Individuals/groups involved in research and monitoring

#### *Ghost trap removal*

- Needs: trap removal program, legislation to allow trap removal
- Next steps: Sub-committee will work on developing a plan, look into developing legislation
- Leads: Sub-committee members
- Jen Spicer, North Inlet-Winyah Bay NERR
- Deborah Belflower
- Peter King, Francis Marion University
- Shelley Dearhart, SC Aquarium
- Amanda Flake, Beaufort County Council

#### *Terrapin friendly traps*

- Needs: Research into best excluder size/design, and other trap modofocations
- List of recreational trap distributors
- Next Steps: Contact trap distributors with design and gauge interest in producing traps
- Leads: Sub-committee?

#### *Terrapin education*

- Needs: Educational materials about good crab trap practices, unified message across state
- Next Steps: Form an education sub-committee
- Leads: ?

